Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Before asking the supplementary question let me thank the Government for the timely relief.

Deputy President.—No argument is necessary. Put your supplementary question.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Since the floods recur very often do the Government think it necessary to have more number of boats ?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.— The question is engaging our attention.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—(e) Was any action taken to set that road right ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—We are taking action to raise that portion of the road.

Extent of playing fields in Ernakulam.

244. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) the number of boys attending the Government schools in Ernakulam ;

(2) the extent of the playing fields available to them ?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—(1) 993.

(2) 1,500 square yards.

Encroachment on the Chalakkudi—Edakunni Roads.

245. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether they have got removed the encroachment on the Chalakkudi and Edakunni roads in the Ollur bazaar ;

(2) if the answer is in the negative, what is the cause of the delay in getting it done ;

(3) when was the inconvenience caused to the public by keeping the Chalakkudi road in that place narrow, was first brought to the notice of the Government ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(1) and (2). The encroachments proper have been got removed. There are, however, certain leases there which have to be cancelled and the sites got vacated. The Revenue Department is taking action for cancelling the leases.

(3) In 1103.

Enhancement of Salary of Officers.

246. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

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